

Regular Session, 2009

HOUSE BILL NO. 95

BY REPRESENTATIVE MILLS

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

SHERIFFS: Provides for payment of group health insurance premiums for retired sheriffs and deputy sheriffs in St. Martin Parish

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 33:1448(G) and to enact R.S. 33:1448(U), relative to the
3 premium costs of group hospital and health insurance for retired sheriffs and retired
4 deputy sheriffs in St. Martin Parish; to provide for eligibility; and to provide for
5 related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 33:1448(G) is hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 33:1448(U)
8 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

9 §1448. Group insurance; kinds; amounts; subrogation

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11 G.(1) Notwithstanding the provisions of Subsection D of this Section, the
12 premium costs of group hospital, surgical, medical expense, and dental insurance and
13 the first ten thousand dollars of life insurance contracted for under the provisions of
14 this Section shall be paid in full from the sheriff's general fund for all sheriffs and
15 deputy sheriffs retired with at least fifteen years of service who are at least fifty-five
16 years of age or retired with at least thirty years of service at any age. The provisions
17 of this Subsection shall be applicable only to the sheriffs' offices of the parishes of
18 Bossier, St. Bernard, St. Martin, Acadia, Allen, Avoyelles, Beauregard, Bienville,
19 Caddo, Calcasieu, Caldwell, Cameron, Catahoula, Concordia, DeSoto, East
20 Feliciana, Grant, Iberville, Jackson, Jefferson Davis, Lafayette, Lincoln, Livingston,

Madison, Morehouse, Natchitoches, Pointe Coupee, Rapides, Red River, St. James, St. John, Union, Vermilion, Vernon, Washington, Webster, West Baton Rouge, West Carroll, West Feliciana, and any parish with a population of between one hundred thousand and one hundred two thousand according to the latest federal decennial census and the sheriff of the Civil District Court of the parish of Orleans, for their respective retirees. The provisions of this Subsection shall also apply to the employees of the Sheriffs' Pension and Relief Fund and the Louisiana Sheriffs' Association, which fund and association shall pay the premium costs for their employees.

(2) The provisions of Paragraph (1) of this Subsection, as applicable to the sheriff's office of St. Martin Parish, shall apply to sheriffs and deputy sheriffs hired before July 1, 2009. The provisions of R.S.33:1448(U) shall apply to sheriffs and deputy sheriffs hired on and after July 1, 2009.

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U. Notwithstanding the provisions of Subsection D of this Section, the sheriff of St. Martin Parish shall pay out of the sheriff's general fund fifty percent of the premium costs of group hospital, surgical, medical expense, and the first ten thousand dollars of life insurance contracted for under the provisions of this Section if the sheriff or deputy sheriff retired from the St. Martin Parish sheriff's office with twenty years of creditable service with the Louisiana Sheriff's Pension and Relief Fund.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides for the payment of insurance premiums for retired sheriffs and deputy sheriffs in St. Martin Parish.

Present law (R.S. 33:1448(G)) provides that the premium costs of group hospital, surgical, medical expense, and dental insurance and the first \$10,000 of life insurance shall be paid in full from the sheriff's general fund for all sheriffs and deputy sheriffs retired with at least

15 years of service who are at least 55 years of age or retired with at least 30 years of service at any age.

Proposed law provides that present law, (R.S. 33:1448(G)), shall apply to sheriffs and deputy sheriffs hired before July 1, 2009, and who subsequently retire from the sheriff's office of St. Martin Parish.

Proposed law provides that premium costs for group hospital, surgical, medical, and the first \$10,000 of life insurance shall be paid at 50% for St. Martin Parish retired sheriffs and deputy sheriffs with 20 years of service, hired on or after July 1, 2009.

(Amends R.S. 33:1448(G); Adds R.S. 33:1448(U))